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## RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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This responds to the Office Action dated April 5, 2006. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.

This response is accompanied by a Petition, as well as the appropriate fee, to obtain a two-month extension of the period for responding to the Office Action, thereby moving the deadline for response from July 5, 2006 to September 5, 2006.